

and their potential for providing positive leadership in their host countries in the area of human rights.

**(b) Sense of Congress**

It is the sense of the Congress that transnational corporations operating overseas, particularly those corporations operating in countries the governments of which have engaged in or tolerated violations of religious freedom, as identified in the Annual Report, should adopt codes of conduct—

- (1) upholding the right to freedom of religion of their employees; and
- (2) ensuring that a worker's religious views and peaceful practices of belief in no way affect, or be allowed to affect, the status or terms of his or her employment.

(Pub. L. 105–292, title VII, § 701, Oct. 27, 1998, 112 Stat. 2815.)

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## SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS

## § 6501. Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are—

- (1) to strengthen—
  - (A) the coordination of United States foreign policy; and
  - (B) the leading role of the Secretary of State in the formulation and articulation of United States foreign policy;
- (2) to consolidate and reinvigorate the foreign affairs functions of the United States within the Department of State by—
  - (A) abolishing the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, the United States Information Agency, and the United States International Development Cooperation Agency, and transferring the functions of these agencies to the Department of State while preserving the special missions and skills of these agencies;
  - (B) transferring certain functions of the Agency for International Development to the Department of State; and
  - (C) providing for the reorganization of the Department of State to maximize the efficient use of resources, which may lead to budget savings, eliminated redundancy in functions, and improvement in the management of the Department of State;
- (3) to ensure that programs critical to the promotion of United States national interests be maintained;
- (4) to assist congressional efforts to balance the Federal budget and reduce the Federal debt;
- (5) to ensure that the United States maintains effective representation abroad within budgetary restraints; and
- (6) to encourage United States foreign affairs agencies to maintain a high percentage of the best qualified, most competent United

States citizens serving in the United States Government.

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## REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this subdivision”, meaning subdiv. A of div. G of Pub. L. 105–277, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–765, known as the Foreign Affairs Agencies Consolidation Act of 1998. For complete classification of this subdivision to the Code, see Short Title note below and Tables.

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## § 6502. Definitions

In this chapter:

**(1) ACDA**

The term “ACDA” means the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

**(2) AID**

The term “AID” means the United States Agency for International Development.

**(3) Agency; Federal agency**

The term “agency” or “Federal agency” means an Executive agency as defined in section 105 of title 5.

**(4) Appropriate congressional committees**

The term “appropriate congressional committees” means the Committee on International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

**(5) Covered agency**

The term “covered agency” means any of the following agencies: ACDA, USIA, IDCA, and AID.

**(6) Department**

The term “Department” means the Department of State.

**(7) Function**

The term “function” means any duty, obligation, power, authority, responsibility, right, privilege, activity, or program.

**(8) IDCA**

The term “IDCA” means the United States International Development Cooperation Agency.

**(9) Office**

The term “office” includes any office, administration, agency, institute, unit, organizational entity, or component thereof.

**(10) Secretary**

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of State.